THE CHARLEROI MAIL

VOL. XIX—NO. 254 CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 1919 TWO CENTS

COUNCIL REVOKES LICENSE OF HUCKSTER FOR SHORT WEIGHTS

Had Been Convicted on two Charges, But Seemed Indifferent

OTHER BUSINESS TRANSACTED

The regular monthly meeting of the borough council was held Tuesday e vening in the borough building with all members present.

Mr. Darby of the health department reported that the sanitary clean-up of the borough was well under way and that a great deal of rubbish and litter had been carted away on Tuesday. The work is progressing nicely and Mr. Darby expects to have the task completed during the week.

On representation of borough officials the huckster license of M. Goldstein was revoked. It was brought to the attention of council that Mr. Goldstein had been convicted both in Donora and Charleroi of giving short weights, but in spite of these penalties it is alleged he has continued in the practice. In view of the attitude of Mr. Goldstein, who it appears is charged with having a contempt for the law, the council deemed it advisable to instruct the borough c lerk to revoke his license.

Mr. Reyner of the Metropolitan Brick company, was present with reference to claim he said his company had against the borough. The matter was referred to the claims committee.

Mr. Brenton, architect of the new municipal building, was present and made a number of suggestions as to fire plugs to be placed at the new borough center. He recommended a double fire plug to be placed in front of the building and a single one at the rear. This met the approval of council and he was directed to have them placed.

Mrs. Morrow of Second street was present and requested that a sewer be laid to her property on that street. The request was referred to the street committee.

The sewer asked for on Maple street will be taken care of in the near future.

The applications for janitor for the new borough building were then opened, but it was d ecided to defer action until a meeting to be held next week.

The matter of moving the curb at the corner of Third s treet and Crest avenue, to cut off a short bend was placed in the hands of the street committee to investigatte and report back to council with their recommendation.

The regular monthly bills were ordered paid, and reports were received from officers. The report of the treasurer for February showed collections of $9,788.73 which with a balance of $1,479.97 made a total o. $11,268.70. The expenditures were $8,576.78, leaving a balance of $22,-741.92.

The report of Burgess Woodward showed fines collected in February to the extent of $139.00.

Mathew Bolden.

Mathew Bolden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bolden, died at the home of his parents, Fallowfield township, April 2nd, aged 21 years. Body will be shipped to Union Springs, Ala., Thursday for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Abel of Fukaya, Japan, are spending the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Nickeson.

WANT THE CHEVRONS

Boys Overseas Resent Attempt to Take Away This Feature

SARCASTIC IN THEIR CRITICISM

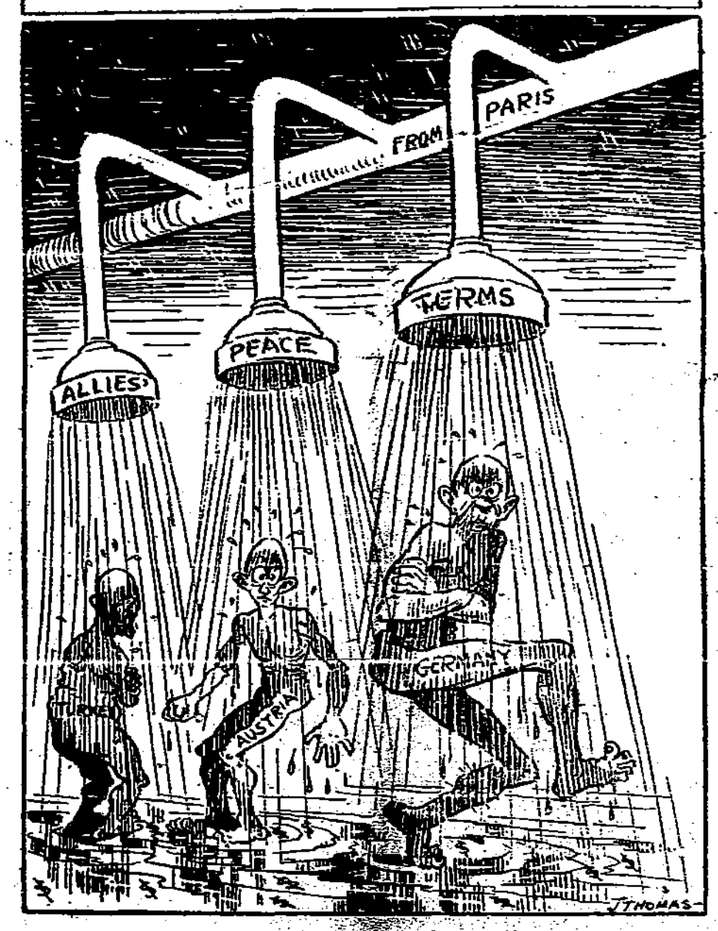
The discussion which took place in Congress last winter with reference to doing away with all service stripes, both gold and silver, was eagerly watched by the men now serving with the expeditionary forces abroad. These men are almost universally readers of "The Stars and Stripes," the one big paper among the soldiers now in service in France and along the Rhine, and its columns contains a number of expressions from the soldiers on this question, which is one of importance to them.

Frank Clement, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clement of 539 Fallowfield avenue, who is serving with the 343rd Artillery, 90th Division, sends his parents a clipping from this paper of February 28th, which shows how the boys across the water feel about this suggestion. One man in writing says:—"I notice that Congress wants to abolish our service stripes because they would make painful distinction between the lucky men who came to France and those condemned to serve at home. This effort to spare the feelings of local soldiers should be supported. It would also help if, when we return home, we should be put under bond not to mention our service in France."

Another sarcastically remarks:—"This soldier who has hiked by night and fought by day, whose mind is scarred by visions of hell upon earth deserves no special credit, no special distinction from the soldier of leisure. And anyway his old uniform will only be worn a few days after his dismissal. He would not be proud of this small mark of appreciation that his Government could allow him to wear without a cent of expense."

Others are equally sarcastic, showing that the men who took part in the campaigns in Northern France feel keenly the efforts being made to deprive them of this small mark of distinction which the government allows them to wear.

APRIL SHOWERS



Most Orderly Assembly Ever Seen in Charleroi

Sam Horowitz, the Bentleyville man arrested Monday afternoon by United States authorities charged with being a Bolsheviki, propagandist, was still in the Charleroi lock-up Wednesday morning, but it was expected that secret service men would arrive from Pittsburg this afternoon to take him to that city for a hearing.

From what has developed it is surmised the United States officials believed Horowitz to be implicated in a scheme to take possession of the miners' parade held in Charleroi on Tuesday, place the black flag at the head and protect it by a special guard armed with automatic revolvers. Officials in Pittsburg claim this was the scheme, but the plan was nipped in the bud by the arrests made on Monday in Monessen, Donora, Bentleyville and Pittsburg.

In speaking of the parade Chief Albright said that in all his eighteen years' experience in Charleroi he had never seen a more orderly assembly of men. Not one incident occurred during the day to mar the peace of the community, and it was only necessary for the police to arrest two or three men who were under the influence of intoxicants.

The parade mett with no opposition in Charleroi or Monessen and the disturbances which some people expected failed to materialize. The activities of the day were over before 3 o'clock, and during the afternoon and evening thousands of visitors from out of town points were on our streets. A special train left for Crucible at 7 o'clock, which carried hundreds of visitors to up-river points.

WILL SELL LARGE AMOUNT OF SCRAP IRON

Bids will be opened in the offices of the United States Engineers for the Pittsburg district in the Farmers Bank building, Pittsburg, Saturday noon, on more than 165,000 pounds of steel and iron scrap which has accumulatted at several points on the Monongahela river. There are 75,000 pounds of steel lock gates at the boatyard in North Charleroi and about 90,000 pounds of steel and iron scrap at Lock No 2. According to the rules the material must be removed 20 days after the award is made.

USE THE CLASSIFIED COLUMN.

LARGE INCREASE IN COAL SHIPMENTS DURING MARCH

Would Have Been Greater But For Repair Work at Locks

GREATLY EXCEED LAST YEAR

Coal shipments for March from the upper pools through Lock No. 4 show an increase of four million bushels over either January or February of the present year, the total shipments being 24,274,000 bushels.

A comparison between the first three months of 1918 and the first three months of 1919 shows that during the months of January, February and March of 1918 the total shipments were 35,477,000 bushels, while for the same months in 1919 the total shipments were 67,715,000 bushels, an increase of 32,235,000 bushels over the preceding year.

It has been predicted by some that coal shipments would fall flat at the close of the war, but this is not borne out by the records at Lock Four. The shipments for March would have been much heavier it is believed had it not been for a number of difficulties with which the boatmen had to contend, chief among which were the troubles at Locks Nos. 2 and 3 where navigation was greatly hampered by necessary repair work.

The following traffic report is furnished by Lockmaster James A. Sweeney for the past month:

Going down—Lockings 418; steamers 268; boats and barges 1,303; other craft 14; bushels of coal 24,274,000; iron products 296 tons; sand 8,000 bushels; gravel 5,000 bushels; lumber 83,000 cu. feet; lumber 12,000 feet.

Going up—Lockings 450; steamers 266; boats and barges 1,345; sand 5,000 bushels; gravel, 20,000 bushels; lumber 5,000 cu. feet.

Two new all-steel towboats were launched during the month, the Victory for the Dravo Contracting company and the Elsey for the Vesta Coal company, both of which will be placed in commission during the present month.

MAIL TRUCK SERVICE IS DISCONTINUED

The Washington post office has been advised that the mail truck service between Pittsburg and Wheeling by way of Canonsburg and Washington, has been discontinued. This action is due to the small amount of mail matter which has been transported.

WATCH ON THE RHINE

Charleroi Parents Receive Copy of First Issue of New Paper

SENT BY SON FROM GERMANY

Fred A. Dessellens of the Eighth Machine Gun Battalion, attached to the Third Division, Army of Occupation, now located at Nicenich, on the Rhine, has sent his mother a copy of the first paper issued in the interests of the American army in that sector. The paper is called "The Watch on the Rhine," Army of Occupation, Marne Division and is dated at Andernach, Germany, February 27, 1919. The paper is filled with reading matter of interest to the soldiers now serving "over there," and contains Pershing's report of the American Expeditionary Forces. It also speaks of a horse show held by the Third Division and of a number of athletic events, particularly football, w hich the boys with the A. E. F. have enjoyed immensly. In welfare work it speaks of the K. of C. preparing to open a club house in that vicinity and of their boxing instructor, "Bix" Mackey, who looks after the fistic training and exhibitions in the Third Division. It also tells of the Y. M. C. A. activities and of the free trips and the splendid service given to the boys in various ways by this organization. The six-hour excursion on the Rhine is particularly mentioned in the paper, the boys being entitled to a luncheon as well as opportunity to visit in the towns of Bonn, and in Coblenz, where the steamer remains for about an hour. The paper is well printed and is no doubt a most welcome visitor with all of the boys of the Third Division.

Dessellens enclosed number of photographs, one taken with his "bunkie," John A. Condash, of Philadelphia, with whom he has been serving since he entered the service at Gettysburg in June, 1917.

Removal Notice.

Dr. Sloan has removed his office from the Masonic building to rooms 10, 11 and 12, Majestic building.

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RETURNED MISSIONARIES TO SPEAK AT MEETING

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Abel of Fukaya, Japan, will speak Thursday afternoon, April 3rd, at the regular meeting of the Missionary Society of the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church. The Society invites all persons interested in missions to be present and hear these missionaries.

Mrs. James Aubrey, who has been the guest of Prof. and Mrs. L. T. Daniel for the past three months, left at noon today for her home in Youngstown, Ohio. She was accompanied to Pittsburg by her daughter Mrs. Daniel.

Edward A., infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Waite, died this morning at the home of his parents 717 Lincoln avenue. Funeral Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock, interment at Belle Vernon.

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